

their products is high, and law-abiding citizens should never have any of their constitutional rights restricted.

This legislation will ensure the Second Amendment can be freely enjoyed by Americans when they need it most: in times of crisis.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this legislation and ensuring that the constitutional rights of our fellow Americans are protected.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CASE) at 2 p.m.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Holy God, hear our prayers for those for whom, not just yesterday, but every day is PTSD Awareness Day. We lift up our voices on behalf of those who strive to endure the constant echoes of their trauma: military veterans, survivors of abuse, people who serve within these very buildings, and countless others who have walked through the firestorms of doubt and danger, the unresolved anguish that is post-traumatic stress.

Like the prophet Habakkuk, we lament the unheard cries, the unrelenting fear, the ongoing inner strife, and the withdrawal from any form of life-giving community.

God speak Your word to those who are so overwhelmed that they accuse You of silence.

God, do not be indifferent to the suffering of those who, they themselves, have lost all sense of feeling.

God reveal Your justice in the torment of the innocent.

Lord God, we lay our unresolved questions and our unrequited faith before You. Be our strength and guide our steps that they who grieve would once again be able to find hope.

O, God of our salvation, we lift our prayers to You.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Washington (Mr.

NEWHOUSE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. NEWHOUSE led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by the Speaker on Friday, June 25, 2021:

S. 409, to provide for the availability of amounts for customer education initiatives and non-awards expenses of Commodity Futures Trading Commission Whistleblower Program, and for other purposes;

S. 1340, to amend title 28, United States Code, to redefine the eastern and middle judicial districts of North Carolina.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
Washington, DC, June 28, 2021.

HON. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on June 28, 2021, at 9:17 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 272.

That the Senate passed S. 1095.

That the Senate passed S. 1662.

That the Senate passed S. 2255.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2441.

Appointments:
Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO RESPONDED ON JANUARY 6, 2021

(Ms. MCCOLLUM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, the House will not be in session on July 6, so I am taking a moment now to commemorate the 6 months since the attack on our democracy. It happened

right here at the United States Capitol. Right here outside these doors where we are standing today.

I thank the U.S. Capitol Police, the D.C. Metropolitan Police, the National Guard, and all the Federal police agencies that responded on January 6, 2021.

Six months later we have not forgotten your bravery, we have not forgotten your sacrifice, and we thank you.

RECOGNIZING BRAD SAWATZKE

(Mr. NEWHOUSE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. NEWHOUSE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Brad Sawatzke, who is retiring as CEO of Energy Northwest.

A leader to his core, Brad has been an invaluable member of the Tri-Cities community and has led Energy Northwest into the future with vision, enthusiasm, and determination.

I had the pleasure to know Brad, and his impressive resume merits recognition.

To earn money during college, Brad began his nuclear career as a janitor, and over four decades his hard work resulted in numerous leadership positions. Brad now retires at the pinnacle of his industry. What could better embody the American Dream than a career where grit and merit are so rightly rewarded?

During his tenure, Columbia Generating Station became one of the top-performing nuclear plants in the country, and the company is leading in clean energy innovation by spearheading the deployment of advanced nuclear technologies.

I thank Brad and his wife, Kim, for their many contributions to Washington State, and I wish them the best in this new, well-earned chapter of their lives.

RECOGNIZING LAURA GARCIA

(Ms. HERRELL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HERRELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Laura Garcia for being named Teacher of the Year by the New Mexico Association of Non-public Schools.

Throughout her 12-year career at Gateway Christian School in Roswell, Laura has been instrumental in educating many students and instilling in them the importance of service before self.

I applaud Laura for her working hard every day to build up our future leaders and give them the confidence and values they need to find their own success. Mr. Speaker, I thank Laura for her dedication to her students and her diligence in her work.

Our teachers are crucial in the transfer of knowledge and wisdom to future generations. Great teachers like Laura build strong leaders and strong character. An educated nation is a knowledgeable nation, and a knowledgeable